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PATENT  
**Case No.: AUS920000812US1**  
(9000/12)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re patent application of:	)	
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STEVEN M. FRENCH, ET AL.	)	Examiner: NGUYEN, THANH
	)	
Serial No.: 09/731,629	)	Group Art Unit: 2144
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Filed: DECEMBER 7, 2000	)	
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR	)	Conf. No.: 1076
AUTOMATICALLY ASSOCIATING AN	)	
ADDRESS WITH A TARGET DEVICE	)	

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is Appellants response to the Notice of Noncompliant Appeal Brief mailed  
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The Brief filed January 9, 2007 is fully compliant. Specifically, the notification alleges a failure to give the status of all the claims filed in the application. For the convenience of the Office, the status has been amended to show that claim 10 was previously cancelled.

Withdrawal of the Notification of Noncompliant Appeal Brief is requested.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Appellants respectfully submit that claims 1-18 fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§102, 103 and 112. In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application is respectfully requested.

Dated: **March 19, 2007**

Respectfully submitted,  
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